



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brandon et al.
Serial No.: 09/697,524
Filed: October 26, 2000
For: Electric Generator And Motor Drive System
Group Art Unit: 2834
Examiner: Gonzalez, Julio C.
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2002.

Amendments will be presented on the pages that follow.

✓IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 28-38 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof. Specifically, these claims may be the subject matter of a Divisional Application.

ELECTION

In connection with the Restriction Requirement mailed July 2, 2001, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Office Action mailed Feb. 19, 2002, the Examiner divided the application into four groups: Group I: Claims 1-27, drawn to a drive system; Group II: Claims 28-30 drawn to a control method for a drive system; Group III: Claims 31-34 drawn to a control method for a traction drive system; and Group IV: Claims 35-38 drawn to a tractor.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I. This election is without traverse. The claims directed to Groups II, III, and IV have been canceled. As stated above, Applicants expressly reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter of Groups II, III, and IV.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account 23-0035.

Respectfully submitted,



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